

WITH AUNT BECKY

Farmers Through Harvesting—Good Health Prevails—Quilting Parties—Facts About Ku Klux Klan—Other Interesting Comment.
(BY AUNT BECKY)

Old For. (Maxton, R. 1), Dec. 8—
"Into each life some rain must fall, some days be dark and dreary." This is in truth a gloomy, dreary day, with the rain drops falling down and the outer world is bathed in tears. But we are glad to see the warm, gentle showers, needful to bring up small grain and to moisten the thirsty earth.

The crops are about all harvested, especially cotton, and we have no reason to complain of the outcome. The Lord of the harvest has abundantly blessed us, far beyond our deserts; his continued goodness toward us is wonderful in the face of our unworthiness and ingratitude.

Not much of interest occurring in the Fork. The health of our people is very good, such a blessed contrast to the situation one year ago, when the fatal "flu" was raging, and our neighbors sick and dying; the recollection of it seems as a horrid nightmare, though we escaped with but two deaths in this immediate vicinity, and it is a noticeable fact that our Smyrna cemetery has not a single grave from influenza or ravages of the war. Every soldier boy who went out from us returned in safety, and we had 14 in the service.

Hog killing season is at hand and we have some fine ones in the Fork, just awaiting colder weather for their execution.

The approach of Christmas is already in the air; how swiftly time speeds on, especially as we grow old. In my childhood days, it seemed an age from one "Santa Claus" time to another, while now they come in such quick succession, I can hardly realize it.

Dr. F. O. Hellier began a week's meeting at Smyrna church yesterday. Today Rev. Mr. Clegg of Midway and Dr. Moorehouse of Lumberton are expected to assist in the week's services.

Thanksgiving service was conducted at this church by our pastor and a very liberal contribution received for the Barium Springs orphanage.

I have been busy for the past two weeks at a "quilting party" composed for the most part of just myself, with occasional help from our little house-keeper, Mrs. Parish. I love to quilt but this long drawn-out job got the best of my finger tips, which

became very sore from constant contact with the needle points. Sometimes I grew a little discouraged at the lengthy task ahead of me and would be tempted to accelerate it by expanding my "rows", but always when such temptations come to me, I recall to mind an incident of my youth, when my dear mother, who was an exquisite needle woman gave me some little task of sewing to do. I grew impatient over it, eager to get it done and be off to play. In her sweet, gentle voice she said to me, "You have done this so well, now dear, take time and finish it up as you have begun, and when you are through no one will ask how long you were at it, but will say how nice it is done." I never have forgotten this admonition, and many times in my life it has been a great help to me. My quilt is neat and said to be very pretty, made by an old-time star pattern, and I feel rewarded for my work.

Two weeks ago, I had my first view of a whiskey still, discovered in the big branch almost in sight of our home, by my grandson, Angus Olmstead, and a colored tenant, who went into an island in quest of lightwood, and accidentally ran upon it. The equipment of the usual crude order was complete, consisting of a lard can, tub, and worm, but apparently had not been used in some little time. I received recently an interesting, and well written letter from my "Truman" boy in your town, who I find is very fond of Southern history and begs that I would write "a whole

lot about the Ku Klux Klan, and send it to The Robesonian, so he can read it and mama can paste it in her scrap book." I wish I were more fully able to grant my little friend's request. The Klan first originated and was organized in Memphis, Tennessee, in the awful days of Reconstruction, by a band of six young Confederate veterans, one of whom was James McCallum, a near kinsman of "Aunt Becky" and the McCallum families in Robeson. The object of this organization was to suppress lawlessness and the domination of Northern Carpet baggers, the scum of the North sent down South to humiliate and tyrannize over a defeated, but proud spirited people. From this small nucleus, the Klan rapidly increased and spread through every Southern State. They were mysterious night riders, operating between mid night and the dawn of day. Robed in flowing snow-white garments, with masks over their faces, their horses also completely covered in white, with their feet safely padded, so as to create not the least sound, they were a weird and ghostly looking procession, striking terror to the minds of all evil doers. They were the salvation of the South after the Civil war, and we shall always remember them with gratitude. We had a band of these silent white heroes in the Fork, some of whom I knew. Some were members of our own family connection, and all were young Confederate veterans, brave and true, willing to sacrifice their lives for the honor and safety of their beloved South land. Now, my Truman boy, if at any future time I can gratify your interest by answering your pertinent questions on Southern history, you may just count on me so far as I am able, and I wish there were more of our growing boys and girls interested on this subject.

Mrs. McLaurin, my daughter, of Latta, S. C., writes me of the death on December 1st of dear little Ruth, the 10-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Trey Sessions of Dillon county, with a request from her family that I send the announcement to The Robesonian, as they have many near relatives in this county, who doubtless read your paper. I knew little Ruth. She was a beautiful child, with soft brown eyes and ringlets curling about the fair young brow, but she was a child of affliction. The faculty of speech and hearing were denied her and she had been for two terms a pupil in a splendid state institution at Cedar Springs, S. C., for the deaf, dumb and blind where she was taken suddenly and violently ill of gastritis and the tender care of the faculty nurse and

three doctors could not avail when Jesus chose to call the innocent, spotless little lamb to his bosom. She was the family pet, and the hearts of father, mother, four brothers, one sister and devoted grand parents' are sorrowing because she is not. Her father reached her bedside a short time before her death and brought the remains home to be interred in the Mount Andrew cemetery. Mrs. Olmstead who is teaching the Oak Grove school has 30 pupils in attendance, with 10 more to come in. Miss Katy Caddell has 19 at the Turn Out school. The Piney Grove colored school is in a dilemma. One woman teacher with 60 pupils and 60 more enrolled. The committee claim they can not procure teachers.

SUPPER AT CENTER.

Correspondence of The Robesonian.
Center, (Lumberton, R. 3), Dec. 9—
There will be a supper and fishing party at Center school house Thursday night, December 18. The proceeds will be used to finish seating the school rooms. Everybody is invited to come and help enjoy the fun.

SUDIE JOHNSON,
Principal.

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SALE OF VALUABLE LANDS FOR PARTITION.

By virtue of authority vested in the undersigned commissioners under a judgment and decree of the superior court of Robeson County, entered before the clerk, in a special proceeding therein pending, wherein Elizabeth Townsend and others were plaintiffs and David Townsend and others were defendants, we will, on Monday the 22nd day of December, 1919, at 12 o'clock noon, at the court house door of Robeson County, offer for sale at public auction to the highest bidder for cash the following lands or divided interest in lands, to-wit:

First Tract—An undivided one half interest in fee simple in a tract of land in Back Swamp township, on both sides of Back Swamp, adjoining the lands of A. D. McKenzie, McCormac and others, beginning at a stake by a dogwood at a ditch, Mary E. Hamer's second corner, and runs South 84 1-2 West 84.50 chains to a stake by two pine pointers by a road, then South 88 West 47.50 chains to McKenzie's line; then North 11 West 19.31 chains to his corner, then South 40 East 3.55 chains to a stake by a stump in bushes; then South 88 East 47.58 chains to a stake by a large pine tree and large pine stump; then North 62 East 2.75 chains to a stake by two pines; then North 3 East 13.70 chains; then North 28 East 24 chains to a stake in a ditch; then North 47 West 7.75 chains; then North 26 1-2 East 15 chains to McCormac's corner; then as his line North 10 West 31 chains to a stump in a lightwood tree; then North 31 East 6.14 chains to a black gum; then North 26 East 26 chains crossing Back Swamp; then down the North edge of said swamp to a point from where a line running South 1 1-2 West 100.09 chains will direct to the beginning, thence direct to the beginning, containing five hundred acres, more or less and being the same lands devised by David Townsend to James B. Townsend and conveyed by deed for a one half interest to H. A. Townsend by deed registered in book 3 "L" page 23. See also book 3 "T" page 446.
Second Tract: All that certain tract or

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parcel of land in Pembroke township, adjoining the lands of Marshal Maxwell and J. P. Inman, beginning at a small pine near the edge of the Lumberton and Rockingham road on the upper side of the railroad right of way and runs as the Lumberton and Rockingham road North 42 West 9.26 chains to a stake, Maxwell's corner. In Barton's line; thence as Barton's line South 42 West 35 chains; thence as Barton's line again 26 chains to Inman's and Barton's corner, thence as J. P. Inman's line South 57 East 18.50 chains to a stake in the railroad right of way, thence North 82 East to the beginning, containing eighty one acre, more or less, and being same land conveyed to H. A. Townsend by Ira B. Townsend, commissioner, by deed registered in book 4 "B" page 228. Time of sale: Monday, December 22, 1919, at 12 noon.
Place of sale: Court house door, Lumberton, N. C.
Terms of sale: Cash.
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R. C. LAWRENCE,
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Christmas Sale

At The Lumberton Bargain House

Christmas is almost here, you haven't many days to do your shopping in. We advise you to shop early and avoid the rush. Our stocks are complete with all kinds of Holiday goods suitable for both the old and young. Our cash prices are very reasonable, in fact they will prove a big saving and from now on until Christmas we will deliver all goods purchased. Goods will be delivered in the afternoon between 3 and 5 p. m.

Dolls for the little girls, priced from 39c to ..	\$7.50	Games of Every Description.	SHOES, SHOES!
Doll beds up to	\$1.98	All kinds of books for boys and girls.	If you are in need of a good pair of solid Leather Shoes in work or Dress shoes, see us. Our prices are reasonable.
Tea sets, coffee sets, trunks, motion picture outfits, coon jiggers, alligators, trains, and a complete line of 5, 10 and 25c toys. Call in and look them over.		Complete line of gifts for the older ones consisting of smoking sets, French Ivory sets, collar boxes, water sets, handkerchiefs, bed room slippers, jewelry cases, and a thousand other useful gifts that will be appreciated by father, mother, brother, sister or sweetheart.	Men's and Boys' suits specially priced for Christmas selling.
Automobiles, \$9.48 to	\$22.50	Ladies' Georgettes crepe silk shirt waist, \$6.98 to	\$12.48
Velocipedes, \$4.48 to	\$14.48	Ladies' silk hose, all colors, \$1.98 to	\$2.50
Wagons, 64c to	\$15.00	Ladies' \$25.00 silk dresses for	\$18.75
Irish Mail Racers \$6.48 to	\$12.00	Ladies' \$22.50, Serge Dresses	\$15.00
Machine gun	\$3.98	Ladies' and Misses coats, all styles, sizes and prices.	
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			No. 2 Tomatoes, per can 15¢
			Laundry soap, per bar.... 5¢
			Baker's chocolate, per cake 10¢

CHRISTMAS FRUITS

Received today a car of Chase pack Florida Oranges for the Christmas trade. These are unusually nice Oranges and the price is right. Also, we have mixed nuts and other fruits.

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